

# Duun language

**Duun** is a Mande language of Mali. There are two principal varieties of Duun, **West Duun**, or *Duungooma* (also known as Du, Samogho-sien), in Mali, and **East Duun**, or *Dzuungoo*, in Burkina Faso. These are clearly distinct but have a reasonable degree of mutual intelligibility with each other and with Banka (*Bankagooma*). Dialects of East Duun, Kpan (*Kpango*, Samoro-guan) and *Dzùùngoo* (Samogo-iri), are easily intelligible.

## Phonology

The phonology of the Dunn languages contains 26 consonants and 12 vowels<sup>[4]</sup>. The following phonemes are in the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA).

Duun	
Region	Mali, Burkina Faso
Native speakers	80,000 (1998) <sup>[1]</sup>
Language family	<div>Niger–Congo <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Mande<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Western<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Northwestern<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Samogo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Duun</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></div>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Either: <div>dux – West Duun</div> <div>dnn – East Duun</div>
Glottolog	duun1242 ( <span>http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/duun1242</span> ) <div>Duungooma<sup>[2]</sup></div> dzuu1241 ( <span>http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/dzuu1241</span> ) <div>Dzuungoo<sup>[3]</sup></div>

Consonant Phonemes

		Labial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Labial-velar
Obstruent	Occlusive	<span>p</span>	<span>t</span>	<span>c</span>	<span>k</span>	kp
		<span>b</span>	<span>d</span>	<span>ɟ</span>	<span>ɡ</span>	gb
	Affricate		ts			
			dz			
	Fricative	<span>f</span>		<span>ɕ</span>		
		<span>v</span>	<span>s</span>	<span>ʒ</span>	<span>x</span>	
Sonorant	Nasal	<span>m</span>	<span>n</span>	<span>ɲ</span>	<span>ŋ</span>	ŋm
	Approximant	<span>w</span>	<span>ɭ</span>	<span>ɻ</span>		

Vowel Phonemes

		Unrounded	Rounded
Closed	Oral	<span>i</span>	<span>u</span>
	Nasal	<span>ĩ</span>	<span>ũ</span>
Half-closed		<span>e</span>	<span>o</span>
Mid-open	Oral	<span>ɛ</span>	<span>ɔ</span>
	Nasal	<span>ẽ</span>	<span>õ</span>
Open	Oral	<span>a</span>	
	Nasal	<span>ã</span>	

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